
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE GOVERNOR, BOARD OF EDUCATION, AND THE HAWAII STATE
TEACHERS ASSOCIATION TO ESTABLISH A MINIMUM MEDIAN SALARY,
ADJUSTED FOR THE COST OF LIVING, THAT IS NOT THE LOWEST IN
THE NATION AMONG METROPOLITAN AREAS.

1 WHEREAS, according to a recent study by the MacIver
2 Institute, teachers in Honolulu have the lowest median salary of
3 the sixty major metropolitan areas in the United States,
4 adjusted for cost of living; and

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6 WHEREAS, over half of all new-arriving teachers in Hawaii
7 leave their district within the first five years on the job; and

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9 WHEREAS, many teachers in Hawaii can move to many cities on
10 the mainland to receive a higher salary in a place with a lower
11 cost of living; and

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13 WHEREAS, Hawaii's high cost of living is often cited as a
14 reason many teachers move to the mainland; now, therefore,

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16 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
17 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
18 Session of 2015, the Senate concurring, that the Governor, Board
19 of Education, and the Hawaii State Teachers Association are
20 urged to establish a minimum median salary, adjusted for the
21 cost of living, that is not the lowest in the nation among
22 metropolitan areas; and

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
25 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the
26 President of the Hawaii State Teachers Association, the
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Chairperson of the Board of Education, and the Superintendent of Education.

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